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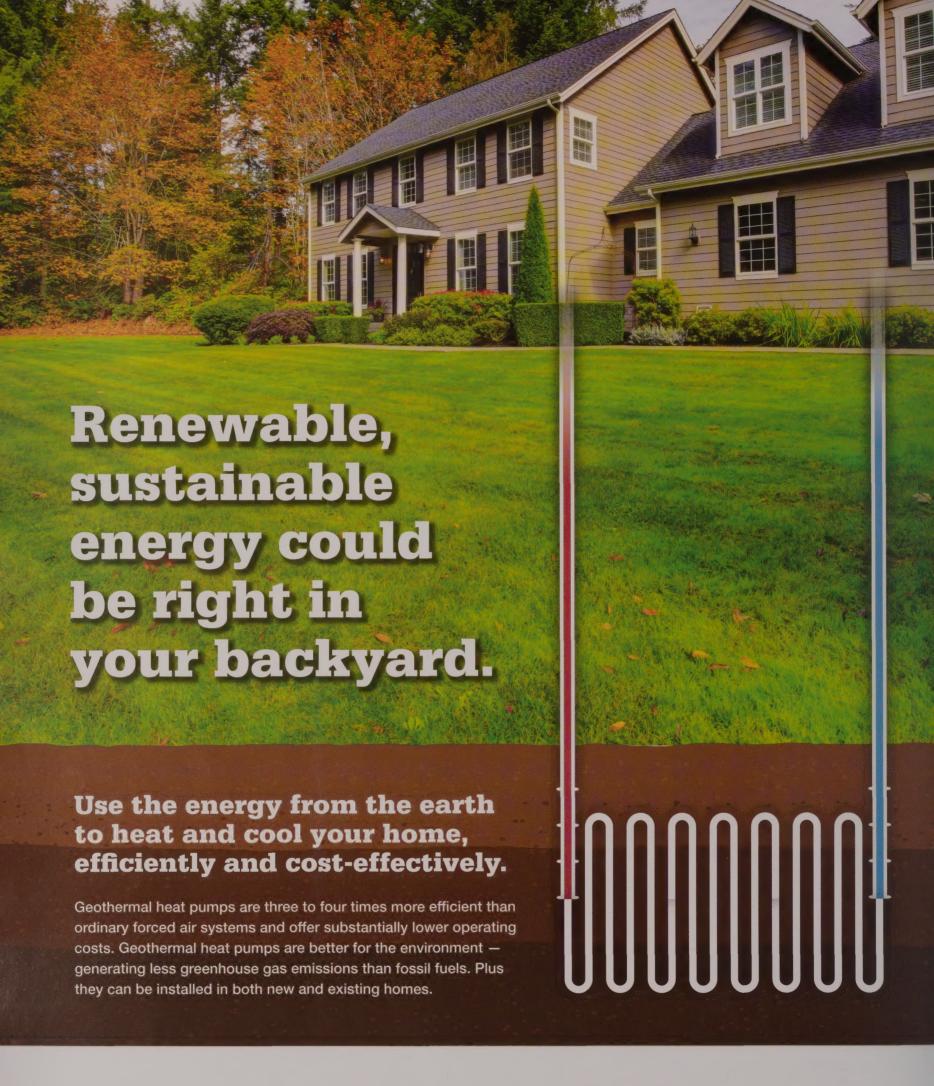


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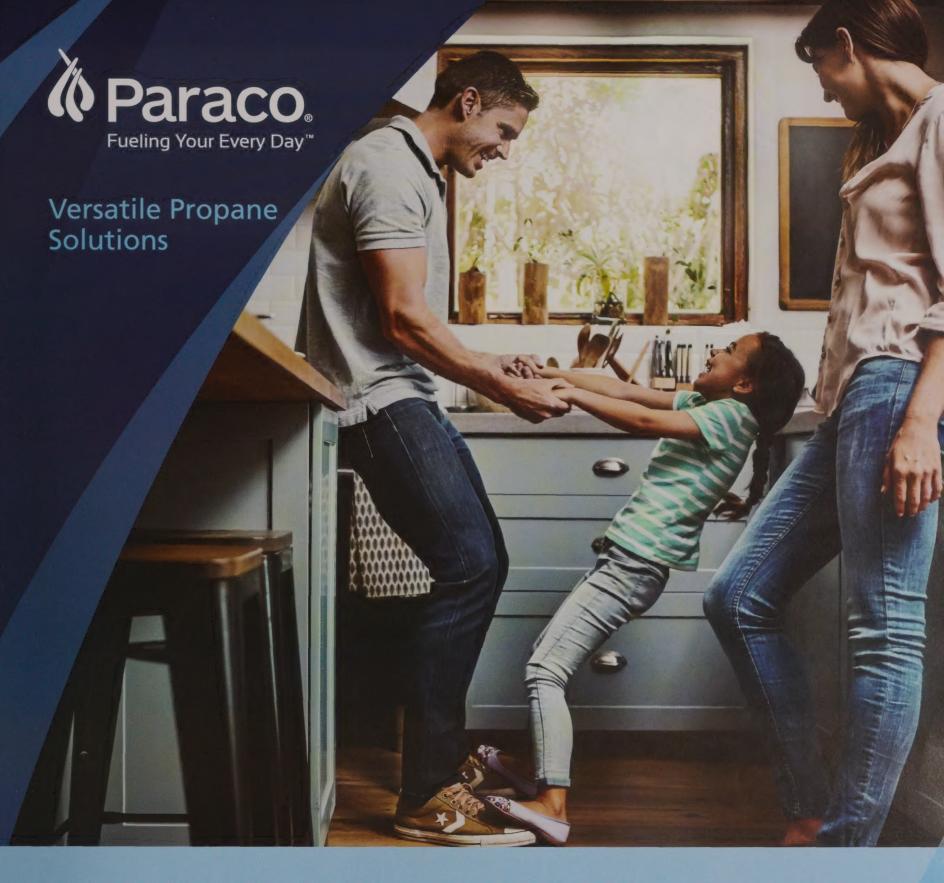
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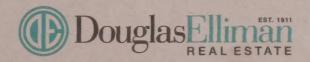
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Adults on campus equals safety for students



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YES





Proposition 3

Shall the Board of Education of the Southampton Union Free School District be authorized to expend an amount not to exceed \$5,197,560 from the District's existing capital reserve fund known as the "Southampton Property and Acquisition and Facility Construction Capital Reserve Fund" (as established by the vote of the qualified voters of the District on May 19, 2009) for the acquisition and renovation of the Real Property located at 50 Narrow Lane, Southampton, New York, and with the result of such expenditure from the "Southampton Property Acquistion and Facility Construction Capital Reserve Fund": being that such acquisition and renovation shall have no impact on the tax levy of the District for the 2018-2019 school year. NOTE: the approval of this proposition will not have an impact on the tax levy for 2018-2019.

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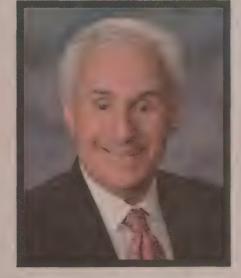
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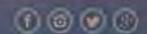


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The fashion world is mourning the death of Judith Leiber, 97, who died of natural causes at her home in Springs on Saturday. Leiber's death was preceded by that of her husband, the artist Gerson Leiber, 96, by a few hours.

Amagansett resident **Scarlett Johansson** attended the Hollywood premiere of her new movie, *Avengers: Infinity War*, with boyfriend **Colin Jost** last week. The blockbuster film, in which Johansson plays the Black Widow, made an estimated \$630 million at the worldwide box office last weekend. The earnings broke the previous record held by *The Fate of the Furious*, which made \$541 million in its global opening.

East Hampton's **Steven Spielberg** has signed on to direct an adaptation of DC Comics' *Blackhawk* for Warner Brothers. The film, Spielberg's first in the superhero genre, will be based on a script by **David Koepp**. The pair previously worked together on *Jurassic Park* and *War of the Worlds*.



Sandra Lee

Hamptons fan Sandra Lee and her longtime beau, Gov. Andrew Cuomo, attended the premiere of Lee's new HBO documentary during the Tribeca Film Festival in New York last week. The film, RX: Early Detection, a Cancer Journey with Sandra Lee, follows Lee through surgery after being diagnosed with

breast cancer. Cuomo spoke about that trying time during the event, and said, "Sandy was so internally strong, through the most difficult circumstance, and the ultimate strength...was turning the negative into the positive." East Hampton's Alec Baldwin also participated in the Tribeca Film Festival. The actor sat down with director Spike Lee to discuss their careers, influences and favorite movies.

Congratulations, **Richard Gere!** The South Fork regular quietly wed **Alejandra Silva**, a publicist, earlier this month in a private ceremony. The happy couple will celebrate with friends and family in New York later this month.

Who cares about another platinum plaque? East Hampton's **Diddy** will receive the 2018 Child of America Award at the Carver Foundation's 80th anniversary gala next month. Carver is Norwalk, Connecticut's largest provider of after-school and (Continued on page 25)

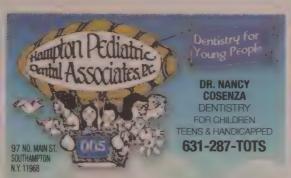








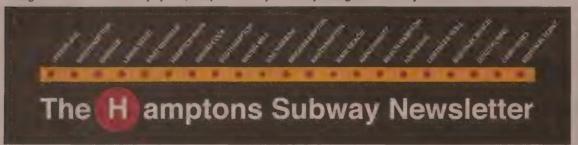




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BY DAN RATTINER

Week of May 3–9, 2018 Riders this past week: 18,912 Rider miles this past week: 88,921

DOWN IN THE TUBE

Jules Feiffer was seen riding the Hamptons Subway from North Haven to Sag Harbor with two friends, Bernard and Huey, one tall and thin, the other short and bald. They were on the way to the Bay Street Theater last Saturday to see a movie called *Bernard and Huey*. Former New York City Subway Commissioner Peter Kalikow was seen riding from Amagansett to Montauk on Wednesday with longtime Hamptons Subway Commissioner Bill Aspinall. They were discussing old times.

NUCLEAR MISSILES

Commissioner Aspinall has announced a willingness to give up the nuclear missile currently located in a storage room accessible from a door in the wall of the tunnel between the Southampton and Water Mill station—or maybe in the tunnel between the North Sea and Noyac Station. The missile was found on the tracks during a spring cleanup last year and has been in that storage room since then waiting for the proper moment to negotiate it with the Federal government. Commissioner Aspinall would like to know what the Federal government would be willing to give Hamptons Subway in exchange for it. "If President Trump wants to come by and meet with me before he meets with that Kim guy, it might be a good idea to deal with ours to get some practice. My door is open," said Aspinall.

SNATCH THE SOCKS

It's a children's game and everyone under 10 is invited. Bring your parents. Kids entering start at the East Hampton and Southampton platforms from 3 to 6 p.m. next Saturday afternoon, take the UP escalator halfway up to snatch a pair of gym socks placed on the slanted stainless steel railing between the UP and DOWN escalators, then leap over the railing and take the DOWN escalator back to the platform to hand it to the waiting Subway

employee there. This employee has a stop watch, a clipboard and a pen and he will mark your time. Then he will go back up the escalator to place the pair of socks halfway for the next kid. That kid waits for the employee to go all the way up, then all the way back down to get himself ready. He will say "Go!" and the next entrant will be off.

Hamptons Subway patrons should be aware this will be going on this coming Saturday and try not to use those two stations. The trains will still come through but they won't stop so the only thing you'll be able to do to ride one is to grab a handle on one as it comes through and hoist yourself up to the top of the car. Then reverse that when your stop appears. "Grab a Sock" is from the imagination of our new Vice President of Public Relations Peter Piper, who says he has not yet picked the prizes for the lowest times, but they will be terrific. Just wait. Enjoy.

COMMISSIONER ASPINALL'S MESSAGE

Rumors saying that the funds for Hamptons Subway came from a Crowd Funding operation back in 1957 are not true. There was no Crowd Funding then, not even computers, unless you consider the giant military computers the size of barns back then. I don't think we even had crowds back then. Anyway, we collected only \$5,312 with the Crowd Funding Operation. How we got the rest of the money to build Hamptons Subway back then was by stealing it. We hacked our way into the vault up in Albany late one night with pickaxes and there it was so we took it.



COMPILED BY DANIEL KOONTZ

NEW TECHNOLOGY WILL INSURE WEALTH MINIMUMS

The Bank Balance Investigative Task Force (BBITF), which undertakes wealth verification services for the entire South Fork, announced this week that new systems are in place for the approaching summer season to insure that visitors to the Hamptons arrive with the required resources. "We've come a long way, baby," says Frederick Millner, head of the BBITF. "We've had the legal authority to forcibly remove underfunded visitors for years, but it was always a law enforcement challenge to determine who the cheapskates were." In the past, the BBITF has worked cooperatively with

the Hamptons Police to spot-check vehicles entering the Hamptons to verify that visitors to the area had a minimum of ready cash to spend while here. But until recently these operations relied entirely upon motorists providing honest answers about their assets, as police lacked the technology to infiltrate bank computer systems to double-check bank balances and other forms of wealth. "It was kind of a joke, really," says Millner. "How likely is it that somebody's going to give you an honest answer about how much money they have in the bank?" The old system also tied up traffic during the busiest times of year. "The old spot-check method was a mess, to be honest," says Millner. "Now it's going to be absolutely seamless." According to Millner, the new system scans license plates as motorists cross the Shinnecock Canal going east on Sunrise Highway or Montauk Highway. Then, using sophisticated cross-referencing software, the BBITF's high-speed supercomputers quickly determine the identity of the drivers and access their bank account information to determine what kind of spending power they have. "It's breathtaking how quickly we can know what a guy's bankroll looks like," says Millner. This information is then crosschecked with an analysis of the driver's debts. "In about 30 seconds, our system gets a pretty complete picture of every driver's financial situation. At that point, it makes a determination as to whether a given driver should be allowed to proceed." Full implementation of the new system will commence on May 15, at which point officers of a new BBITF Enforcement Patrol will begin to intercept drivers flagged for having insufficient funds. Millner explains that the BBITF officers have been carefully trained not to antagonize the underfunded drivers. who could be feeling humiliated or feel that they are being discriminated against. "Look, we'll tell them that the law is the law. They will be informed, politely but firmly, that they will need to turn their vehicles around and go back to where they came from. They will also be told that, should their financial situation improve, they'll naturally be welcome back."

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2018 Privet Hedge Awards Dinner in Southampton

It was a who's who of Hamptons real estate as industry movers and shakers gathered at the storied Sebonack Golf Club on April 25 for the fifth annual Privet Hedge Awards Dinner. Applause, laughter and even a few tears of joy filled the night as toasts were raised and awards were presented for Broker's Broker, Big Deal Broker, Rookie of the Year, Master Marketer and Hall of Fame. Please see page 64 and visit BehindtheHedges.com for a full recap and to see who took home this year's honors! Photographs by Daniel Gonzalez



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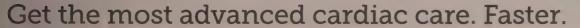
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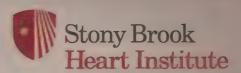
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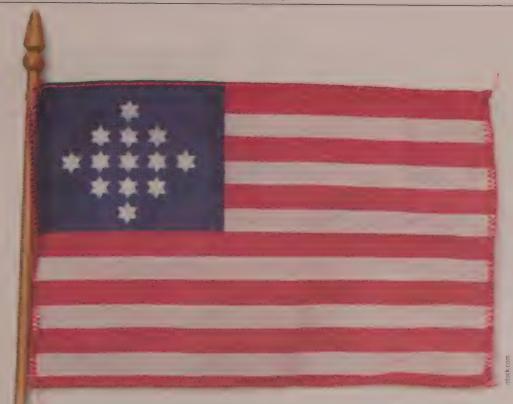
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First American Flag?

Some Say John Hulbert of Bridgehampton Made the First One

BY DAN RATTINER

As you probably know, Betsy Ross did not design the first American flag. She may have sewn one, but the first one, it is believed by some people, was designed by East Ender Captain John Hulbert. There is considerable evidence to support this. That original flag today sits behind glass as a centerpiece of the Suffolk County Historical Society Museum in Riverhead.

Here is what we know. And after that, what we don't know.

In July of 1775, just one year before the Declaration of Independence, John Hulbert of Bridgehampton, then age 37, was asked to head up the third militia, a group of fighters from Southampton and East Hampton, to be part of a New York army of 3,000 men tasked with protecting that colony from invasion by British forces.

The British had already invaded and were now occupying Boston to punish that city for their "Boston Tea Party," and were already in upstate New York. They had captured Fort Ticonderoga, a huge fort built by the French at the base of Lake Champlain, north of Albany. American patriots from all 13 colonies had met by this time in Philadelphia at what they called the Continental Congress. What should they do?

Hulbert, a rope maker, had his orders. His

200-man militia was to march to Fort Ticonderoga to assist in taking that fort back from the British. They headed out. They had muskets and uniforms. It is believed that when they returned from their operation at Fort Ticonderoga, they also carried a 13-star, 13-stripe flag, which was the first of its kind. But there is no sketch or drawing of it.

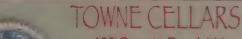
The militia was too late for the initial battle. The fort had fallen to a small group of rebels from nearby Vermont—the Green Mountain Boys—on May 10 of that year, before Hulbert's men were even mustered, so they knew that before they started out. Why they went, though, was because it was feared more British Redcoats were on their way to take it back. The Hulbert militia would be part of the reinforcements to hold the fort.

When they arrived, they weren't needed. The rebels were in full control, and new orders for Hulbert and his men assigned them to picket duty at Fort Ticonderoga and, come November, two months later, to escort a group of British Redcoats taken prisoner down the Hudson River to Trenton, New Jersey. From there, they would take them across the Delaware River and then parade them by the Second Continental Congress at the Pennsylvania State House in Philadelphia.

Attending this Congress was patriot Francis Hopkinson, a future (Continued on next page)



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signer of the Declaration of Independence and, at that time, a delegate from the colony of New Jersey. Hopkinson, we here on the East End believe, watched the parade of prisoners accompanied by Hulbert's Third Militia. We don't know for sure. But he was there and Hulbert was there, flags flying.

Hopkinson's presence in this story is important because, as you know, the myth that Betsy Ross designed the American flag was busted by those who believe Hopkinson's flag came first. Hopkinson, at about the time he was also attending that Congress, designed a Stars and Stripes. He also worked on the design of the Great Seal and the first American coins. There's a letter he wrote Congress, three years after he designed these things. In 1780, he said that it had been three years and he had not been paid. He would settle the matter for a "Quarter Cask of the public Wine."

It is he, today, who is considered by many to be the first to make the Stars and Stripes. We here on the East End, beg to differ. We think he saw Hulbert's flag, and designed from that.

How do we know Hulbert flew a Stars and Stripes? Well, in 1929 an old tattered 13-star American flag was found in storage at the home where Hulbert had lived. The 13 stars of this flag were six-pointed stars, not five-pointed stars. Hopkinson's flag had six-pointed stars. Betsy Ross's flag, later, had five-pointed stars. It was only after the initial Stars and Stripes was designed and made that it was decided to make stars with five points rather than six.

Scientists examined this old flag and

some have concluded it was made around 1840, perhaps as a replica of an early American flag. But others say it is the real McCoy. It is very old, and there it is—go see it if you want. Certainly it is a flag around 200 years old. And if it weren't real, why would it be in storage at Hulbert's house?

And where was Hulbert's house, anyway? Its unclear in which of his houses they found the flag. Turns out that after the British defeated George Washington at the Battle of Long Island, John Hulbert, among many other East End rebels, fled to Connecticut by boat to escape being arrested. The British were now in charge on the East End. But after the war ended, he returned home.

He may have returned to his Bridgehampton home, but clearly he did not stay long. Between the end of the war and his passing at age 75 in 1813, he built numerous other homes on the East End, both for himself and for others. He built a home for a whaling boat captain, Lester Beebe, in Sag Harbor at 20 Union Street. (Chester Arthur, our 21st president, a friend and political confidant of the home's owner at the time is believed to have visited here in the 1880s.) Hulbert is believed to have lived in a house at 37 Mile Hill Road in the Northwest section of East Hampton. (The house was listed for sale in the past as a house he had lived in.) And onetime owners of an old mansion in Sag Harbor on Main Street—the Morpurgo House claimed Hulbert built it.

But the strongest claim is that the house where the Hulbert flag was found was in his

family home from before the Revolution in Bridgehampton. And it rings true.

The childhood home of John Hulbert no longer stands. It originally stood on the northeast corner of Main Street, Bridgehampton and the Sag Harbor Turnpike, right smack in the middle of town. Today this is the site of the Topping Rose House, the celebrated inn and restaurant that opened at that location five years ago.

Other stuff had happened between Hulbert and the Topping Rose. The Hulbert house was small and ramshackle. Behind it was a barn, believed to be his workshop and storage facility. This house and barn were reportedly built around 1740.

In 1842, a wealthy Bridgehampton lawyer and judge by the name of Abraham Topping Rose bought what had been Hulbert's property, and had Hulbert's house torn down. In its place he built a beautiful three-story white clapboard home in the Greek Revival style for himself and his family. That building, historic in its own right, is what was purchased by the developers of the Topping Rose House in 2005. And they saved it, restoring it in all its splendor.

During the renovation, the builders came upon what had been the foundation of the Hulbert home. That was all that was left from when Judge Rose tore it down. They also noted two buildings out back. One was a barn, in need of restoration, which was done. Today it is a conference center and spa. The other building, from the Hulbert era, was described in an article in the *Southampton Press* about 10 years ago as a "storage building." It was (*Continued on page 24*)

















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A Lawsuit Raises Its Ugly Head About a Film Based in Montauk

BY DAN RATTINER

In the early 1960s, the U.S. Air Force abandoned their top-secret early warning station out by the lighthouse in Montauk. It was top secret because the military didn't want Russians meddling with our radar, computers, green screens and communication gear created to alert people inland about Soviet guided-missile attacks. The Air Force left, however, by simply walking away from the base, leaving the whole thing to just rot into ruin.

This created a wonderful opportunity for us local teenagers at the time, to come at night, cut holes through the barbed wire and chainlink to sneak into this place called Camp Hero, enter buildings, walk through underground tunnels and hope against hope we would not get caught or taken prisoner by any monsters or other creatures there. Legends were born. Stories were concocted. Was there some secret operation other than the warning system we might stumble upon?

In 1992, a sensational book called The Montauk

Project, written by Peter Moon and Preston Nichols, was published, which enlarged our earlier fears. One thing reported was that local teenagers had been lured inside and were then never seen again. The secret operation was time travel. The government was attempting to transport a Navy ship from one port to another, but it had not worked and crewmembers suffered a horrible death, halfway in one place and halfway in another. There had to be a cover-up.

This book went viral, or whatever they called it back then. And the authors followed up with a second and then a third book, all with titles that revolved around the idea of a secret Montauk time-travel project disguised to look like a Cold War early warning system. These books are still available at your local bookstore.

Montauk may have been a famous beach resort for many years for its fishing, surfing, hang gliding, golf, nightlife and tennis—now it was also famous for "the Montauk Project." And that legend, enlarged upon and added to, has continued. Some years later, a dead

animal about the size of a large raccoon washed up on the beach that was so waterlogged and deformed it looked like a monster...the Montauk Monster, it was called. And that went viral, too.

Now we have the Montauk Project Lawsuit. A short 8-minute film called *Montauk* about the Montauk Project was made in 2011 by Charlie Kessler, which involves a boy wandering off into the Montauk woods at Camp Hero, a distraught mother trying to find him, a man trying to help her find him, a monster, and some effects where the mother is lifted off the ground by some invisible force that then appears to kill her in the air. The film was shown at the Hamptons International Film Festival in 2012 when it came out, and it won the prize for Best Student Film. Now Charlie Kessler is suing.

He claims that in 2014 he attended a premiere party at the Tribeca Film Festival and met two brothers, Matt and Ross Duffer, and told them about his short film and his plan to create a full-length film called *The Montauk Project*. Kessler's plot, the suit (Continued on next page)



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says, is a variation on his earlier short movie. It involves a young boy who goes to the shut down Camp Hero one night and does not return. His parents, hysterical, get a local police officer to find their son and figure out what is going on in Camp Hero. The officer discovers that it is horrific operation at which children are used as "psychic weapons" to open a portal into an "alien world."

Kessler says that in 2016 when Stranger Things debuted on Netflix, he noticed not only that the Duffer Brothers created it but, the suit says, he believed it was the same idea he presented to them. In the premiere, a group of boys are playing when one disappears. As a result, the boy's friends, his mother and a local cop work to find the boy. They discover a girl

with telekinetic abilities, and they learn of a government operation nearby that is being run secretly.

Kessler also claims in the suit that this show, *Stranger Things*, had been originally titled *The Montauk Project* when Netflix bought it and only later got its name changed. Also, he says, they changed the locale. *Stranger Things* on TV today takes place in the fictional town of Hawkins, Indiana in the early 1980s. The show is a big hit and is making lots of money.

Kessler's lawsuit was filed in California last month. He says he's received no credit or compensation for his work. A lawyer for the Duffers says they never spoke with Kessler about his short film or any project.

Since the lawsuit was filed, TMZ, a website

that covers backstories in the Hollywood movie world among other things, claims it learned that Netflix, in searching around for someone to play "Barbara" in the new show, allegedly put out a casting call in August 2015 that read "Barbara: 18 to play 16 years old, Barbara is Nancy's gossipy, less put together, and less popular best friend who can sometimes be a 3rd wheel meddling with Steve and Nancy. RECURRING. Notes: You have a self tape request for the Netflix series *Montauk* starring Winona Ryder..."

TMZ calls this a "smoking gun" that shows the Duffer Brothers knew about the Kessler film. But was this supposed casting call referring to *Montauk* the book, Montauk the monster or *Montauk* the Kessler film? Or none of those? It could matter. Then I read that the Duffers' lawyer said they never hid the fact that *Stranger Things* was originally called *Montauk*. That was supposed to be the locale. But it wound up being in Indiana.

We would through underground tunnels and hope against hope we would not get caught or taken prisoner by any monsters.

But then there is a film that pre-dates both Stranger Things and Kessler's Montauk. It was created by filmmaker Christopher Garetano in 2010 and released in 2015. It was later developed and produced as The Dark Files for the History Channel. I saw The Dark Files when it appeared on TV. In this special, scientists and others go onto the site (trailed by the filmmakers) trying to learn the truth about the supposed macabre doings. They seem to find black-and-white footage of dazed teenagers walking into some of the underground tunnels to be part of terrible experiments. In real time, they track down Preston Nichols in a trailer in the woods somewhere (West Virginia?). Nichols is elderly and very weird. He neither confirms nor denies. The experts are very open to all of this.

In the end, they decide to agree to disagree. Some say the Montauk Project was a secret black op, others say it was bunk, still others say they cannot be sure. So the mystery remains unsolved.

Should Garetano sue, too? But if so, who?

Further to all of this, you have the right to know that the reporter writing this article is mentioned in one of the *Montauk Project* books.

I am in the second book. I read the first when it came out and had found it so outrageous that I was moved to write the authors of the book. I claimed, rightly, that I was the publisher of the town newspaper in Montauk in those days, and that some of the things they said were going on downtown at the time were simply not true. As an example, they had reported that one day in August of 1962, all the animals in all the woods surrounding downtown came into town to mill around for a day before returning to where they had come from.

"Not true," I wrote. "I was there."

In that second book, the authors, mentioning me by name, stated that clearly I was part of the cover-up.



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Power to the People Entirely from the East End Wind

BY DAN RATTINER

I do not understand the opposition to having 16 windmills out in the Atlantic Ocean that could power all of the homes on the South Fork to end our dependence on fossil fuel. Nothing could be better than this. And if it works on the South Fork, there could be more of them out there that could provide power for practically all the nearly 8 million people of Long Island.

The company that is proposing these windmills, which are over the horizon from land, already has a five-windmill project out in the ocean—within sight of Block Island—in business now for over a year. It provides all the power to Block Island, population 1,051, and to all the tourists who are there in the summertime, estimated at 15,000 a day. Block Island is just 16 miles out from Montauk.

I spoke yesterday with Lars Trodson, who is the editor of *The Block Island Times*—a newspaper I founded on the island in 1970 and 12 years later sold—and asked him how things were going. A lot of objections being bandied about here on the East End by opponents of the windmills reference Block Island. Some seem reasonable. Others preposterous. A preposterous one was that they originally planned to build six windmills off Block Island but one had to be torpedoed after it was built.

"I won't even dignify that with an answer," Lars said. "There were never to be more than five." Here are some other questions and accusations I've heard.

Q: The fish around the base of the five windmills are dying. They cannot spawn. It's an ecological disaster.

"The charter and commercial fishermen on Block Island report a great improvement around the foundations of the windmills. There's more fish."

The power provided by the windmills goes by cable into a power grid and is gone. Never gets to benefit those by the shore.

"We had a series of diesel gasoline-powered generators providing power for Block Island. When they pulled the switch to provide the power from the windmills, we turned off the diesel generators. They are available to be turned on in an emergency, but so far we have not had to do so. All our electricity comes from the wind farms. And it is sufficient."

All the environmental studies made to get permits to put in the windmills were paid for by the developer of the windmills. For example, there's the electromagnetic fields created by the underwater cables to the mainland. The developers paid for the study.

"A study of those emissions now that the power lines are working was recently done by students and professors from the University of Rhode Island. They found the emissions to be a non-issue—they are within the acceptable range.

"I can't speak for the studies done before the

windmills were built, but I do know that the company now makes frequent reports to the EPA as they go along and, so far, so good."

Prices have gone up with wind power.

"The prices we pay for electricity here on Block Island are now stabilized, as promised. We no longer are subject to surcharges when the price of diesel fuel goes up."

The fishing boats avoid the windmills.

"Not only are the fishermen finding more fish around the foundations, they are also busy taking tourists out to see the windmills up close. It's a whole new tourist industry."

Here's something I could not ask Lars about because the windmill farm out at Block Island is done and done.

The Big Oil Companies are trying to get leases for the next round of windmills off Long Island because they get rebates for doing wind farms. It's all about the money.

To which I reply: When a guy mows your lawn, he wants the money for having done it. So? The oil companies are in the energy business. As energy from fossil fuel goes down, wind power goes up. So yes, they want the money. So what?

I see no good arguments opposing the building of offshore windmills to create power for the human activities of the future here on the East End. If there are good reasons, please let me know.

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so dilapidated that it was beyond restoration. But you could save the beams, and someday that could be rebuilt, perhaps on another nearby property.

In taking it carefully apart, they numbered the beams and then gave them to the Town of Southampton for safe keeping somewhere.

It is my belief that it was in that "storage building" that Hulbert made that flag. He was a builder after the war, but a rope maker when he was young before it. This must have been his workshop out back. And it must have been there that he left that flag when the war ended, "in storage."

Where are these beams today? It's a disgrace. The town piled them up upon receiving them, right on the ground across the street, just to

the east of the large white mansion owned by the Bridgehampton Museum, now undergoing renovation, on the south side of the road.

Ten years ago, during the renovation of the Topping Rose House, I was told they were there and went to see them. I asked the town supervisor at that time if they could please be protected with plastic sheeting. It has never been done.

In writing this story, I have come upon another important piece of American history that is little known, and worthy of becoming a good book and movie. It involves Fort Ticonderoga, immediately after the patriots recaptured it from the British.

As you recall from earlier in this story, the

British had not only taken Fort Ticonderoga but also sent an army of 15,000 Redcoats to restore order in Boston and punish the rebels for what they did at the Boston Tea Party. After the fight up Bunker Hill and the battles at Lexington and Concord, the British took complete control of Boston. Boston and its harbor were on the tip of a peninsula back then. Other peninsulas were both north and south, neither of them occupied. George Washington was empowered by the Continental Congress to create an army and attempt to seize Boston. Washington was able to cut off the road out to the peninsula, but that was all. Boston was still a lively port in British hands, with ships going in and out, bringing in supplies and taking out exports.

Also, the British had cannons in Boston. They'd lob cannon balls out at Washington's men from time to time. None came back. Washington had no cannons.

Thus, a stalemate persisted into the winter of 1775–76. And then a Boston bookstore owner, nowchased out of Boston—a young man in his 20s named Henry Knox—approached Washington with an idea. Out at Fort Ticonderoga, which the patriots now held, were 42 giant brass and iron cannons. Why not bring them to Boston? Impossible, Washington said. How could we get them here? They weigh many, many tons. And this is 800 miles away.

Knox said you could send some men there, build 42 big wooden sledges, haul the cannons onto the sledges and then have oxen haul them across the iced-over Lake Champlain and through the forests of Vermont and Massachusetts. It might take a month.

If you'd do that, Washington told this young man, I'll get Congress to fund the effort for you. Sure, Knox said.

Knox went with his younger brother and a group of about 20 other men by horseback up to Fort Ticonderoga, built the sledges, hired the oxen, dragged 42 of the cannons onto his huge sledges, had all sorts of adventures across the ice and through the forests, and presented them to Washington not in one month, but three.

During the next few weeks of March, Washington dragged the cannons around to the back of the hill at Dorchester Heights and then, in one night, built a wooden breastworks and had five of the cannons hauled up to just behind it. When dawn came, Washington began firing cannonballs down onto the British in Boston. And the British could not fire back. They were at sea level. The Americans were high on the hill. The British cannonballs could not get up that high.

After that one-day cannonade, and the several more that followed with now 10 and 20 cannons, the British sent a messenger out with a white flag and offered a solution. If the Americans would stop firing the cannons, the British would load up all their soldiers (and local loyalists) onto their man o' war ships and sail them away back to England. An evacuation of about 12,000 men, women and children then occurred. And that's how Washington, with the cheers of the Bostonians, won back that town.

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summer programs for middle and high school students. "That's near and dear to him. He does a lot of philanthropic investment in programs like Carver," says the Foundation's Executive Director Novelette Peterkin. "And we're honored that he accepted our invitation." Meanwhile, East Hamptonite Jay-Z scooped up a Webby Award for Best Individual Performance in Film and Video for "Smile," a track off his latest album. The Webby's are given out annually in recognition of excellence on the Internet presented by The International Academy of Digital Arts and Sciences.



Sarah Jessica Parker is expanding her fashion empire. The longtime South Forker recently unveiled her new line of bridal gowns on gilt.com. The collection features 10 unique looks, including dresses, jumpsuits and more, ranging in price from \$\$295 to \$2,395. Of the untraditional aesthetic,

Parker told WWD, "We recognized that there was this space where brides were looking for something that felt different."

East Hampton native, Oscar winner and host of the 2017 Dan's Papers Literary Prize For Nonfiction Awards ceremony Melissa Leo is back as comedy club owner Goldie Herschlag in Showtime's I'm Dying Up Here Season 2. The first episode of Season 2 airs Sunday, May 6 at 10 p.m., but it's already streaming on Showtime On Demand.

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Hamptons regular Andrew Lauren, son of renowned Montauk designer Ralph, has bought a new Manhattan home. The 5,000-square-foot apartment faces the Metropolitan Museum of Art on Fifth Avenue, and belonged to Georgette Mosbacher, who was recently named U.S. ambassador to Poland. The property was listed for \$29.5 million and sold for \$21 million. In other real estate news, Water Mill's Matt Lauer has found a buyer for his Upper East Side apartment. The four-bedroom pad was listed for \$7.35 million and reportedly sold for just over \$7 million. Lauer's 25-acre Sag Harbor home is also on the market for \$12.75 million, down from an original listing price of \$18 million.

The East End's Elaine Faith Thompson, one of several artists chosen to create a limited edition, fine art print commemorating the 118th U.S. Open Championship at Shinnecock Hills Golf Club in Southampton, unveiled the work on Sunday, April 29 at the Bellport Community Center. The U.S. Open will take place June 14-17.

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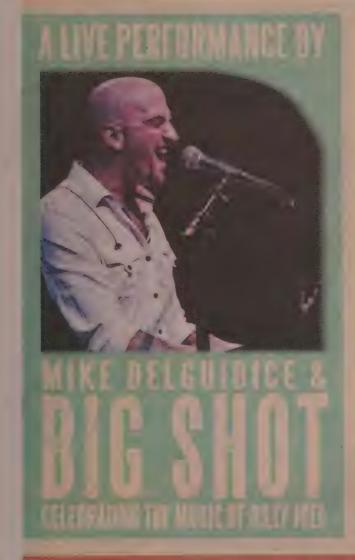


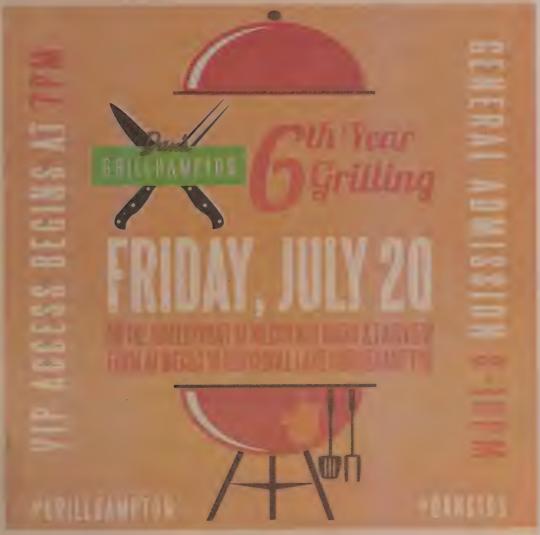


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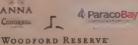












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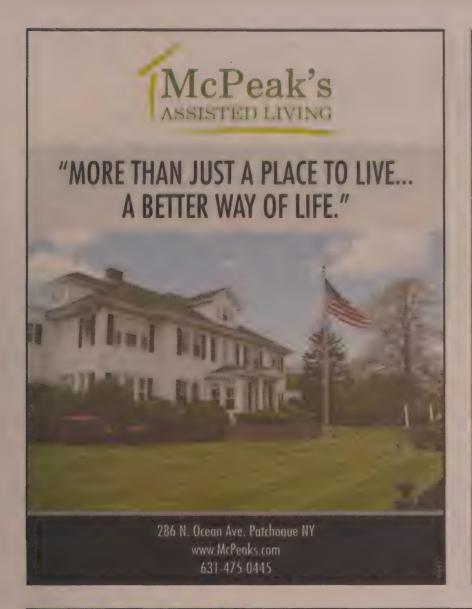


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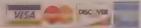
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to Bridgehampton, August 26–September 2, when it will again host the best horses and riders from across the nation and around the world, including Olympic veterans from several countries, who will be competing for some of the nation's richest prize money.

On Saturday, April 14, Julie Spain was recognized as the winner of the inaugural Dianne B. Bernhard Award for Excellence in Pastels for her piece "Hands Creek" at the Boots Lamb Education Center at Guild Hall in East Hampton, in conjunction with their 80th Annual Members Exhibition. This is the first in a series of pastel prizes that Dianne B. Bernhard, an award-winning artist, philanthropist and the founder of the Art Spirit Foundation, is set to give in the Hamptons throughout the summer. Bernhard has made it her mission to identify budding pastel masters through her foundation and has funded awards to pastel artists at The Salmagundi Club, The American Artists Professional League, Connecticut Pastel Society,

Audubon Artists and The Pastel Society of America. Bernhard is the owner of the Bernhard Gallery in Southport, Connecticut and often summers in the Southampton.

Sag Harbor legend, graphic artist **Reynold Ruffins**, will show his latest paintings in an exhibition curated by **Susan Blumenkrantz** at the John Jermain Memorial Library during the month of May.

24-year-old **Drew Petersen**, once a child prodigy who was presented at Carnegie Hall's Weill Recital Hall at age five and was the winner of the 2017 American Pianists Awards, tickles the ivories at the Parrish Art Museum's Salon Series on Friday, May 4. Petersen's program began with well-known works of the Romantic period: Beethoven's *Piano Sonata No. 5 in C Minor*, followed by two works by Chopin: *Fantasie in F Minor*, op. 49 and *Scherzo No. 2*. Petersen then played works by American composers: *Fantasy Pieces*, op. 6 by Charles Tomlinson Griffes and Samuel Barber's *Piano Sonata in E-flat Minor*, op. 26.

The Suffolk County Historical Society in Riverhead will hold its Groundbreaking Ceremony for its new wing on Friday, May 4 at 11 a.m. This project will incorporate all ADA-compliant handicap accommodations, including elevator, restrooms, and on-site parking and it was made possible through major funding from

The Robert David Lion Gardiner Foundation, New York State Council on the Arts and Empire State Development.

Foodie bites: Actress Lea Michele, best known from Glee, ate at Bostwick's Chowder House in East Hampton last Sunday afternoon. Gabriella Macari of Macari Vineyards in Cutchogue has brought in celebrity event planner Shawn Rabideau to elevate the vineyard's events—from weddings to corporate events to holiday parties. Rabideau's best known for his appearances on Bravo TV's reality series Bethenny Ever After and Bethenny Getting Married? He also has appeared on ABC's Good Morning America, Fox News, the Style Network, MTV and TV Land's Best Night In. He has worked with a wide range of celebrities including Kenneth Cole, Bethenny Frankel, Jennifer Lopez, Star Jones and Barbara Walters. Look for an interview in an upcoming edition of Dan's Papers. Chef Arie Pavlou is smiling because Bistro Été's new private event space just opened last week, nearly doubling the seating capacity of his South Fork Coastal French-leaning hotspot. More of his popular cooking classes are to come. Thanks go out to the South Bay Bible Church in East Moriches for their gracious delivery of fresh donuts from Bohemia's Glenn Wayne Inc. to the Dan's Hamptons Media Southampton offices last Wednesday—they made a rainy day bright.

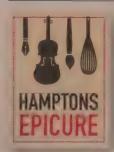
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Top 5 Things I Ate in April

BY STACY DERMONT



Spring on the East End. Buds are budding, greens are greening, brews are brewing. Of course, never content with nibbling with just one fork, I swam across Flanders Bay to take in just a bit (actually a ball) of the best that the twin fork has to offer as well.

#5 Fried pickles are not health food, but once in a while, one should indulge. I suggest you do so this spring at the Springs Tavern in Springs because they do them right—very thin rounds, dusted with a light cornmeal batter. These delights are designed to be shared (they're too salty to enjoy alone), and eaten while very hot. Pairing them with a cold beer is more than implied.

#4 A ball of Goodale Farms's mozzarella. Not that I ate it all at once. I didn't, I swear. I picked up this plastic-wrapped bad boy at the farm on the North Fork, just outside of Riverhead. Lasagna seemed likely but then I just started lobbing off a lobe at a time and enjoying it, intensely.

You know that China ships all of its chicken breasts to the U.S. for the chump market, right?

#3 I always try a restaurant's carrot soup given the opportunity. I'm rarely disappointed. But when I found a special offering of roasted carrot soup with pickled ginger and crabmeat at Buoy One in Riverhead I was especially taken. It had never occurred to me to beef up such a soup with seafood. The crab was a good choice. The pickle-y-ness of the ginger made for an interesting balance.

#2 The Class Act at the Suffolk Theater in Riverhead is a mix of Sparkling Pointe Brut and St-Germain elderflower liqueur with a lemon twist. It's sweet but not heavy. Heady. But I only had one in order to stay...classy.

#1 A distinctive taco in the sea of bland tacosameness-the chicken taco at Azao Café in Hampton Bays is the real dealdark meat and skin cooked into tender submission. International cuisines embrace the dark. (You know that China ships all of its chicken breasts to the U.S. for the chump market, right?) Azao Café is in the former Orlando's Café space at 40 West Montauk Highway, under new management. Same fabu menu. 🔔

You can follow Stacy's informed and opinionated foodie adventures on Twitter @hamptonsepicure. Stacy is currently at work on a Hamptons-centric cookbook with co-author Hillary Davis.



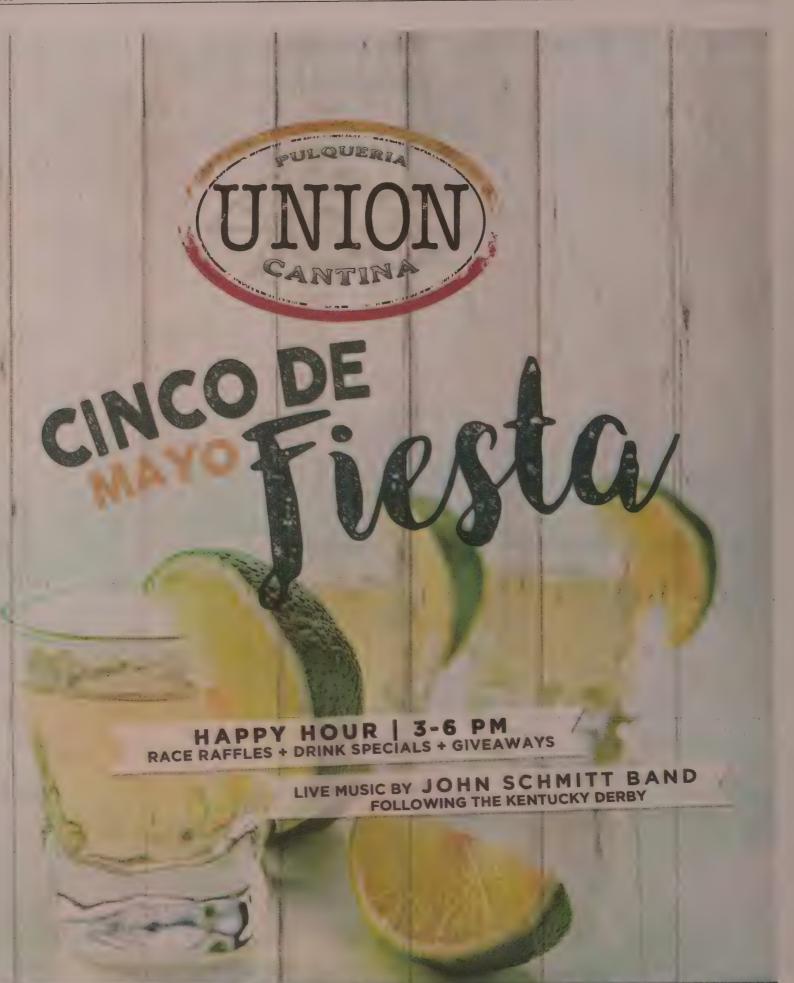
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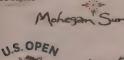
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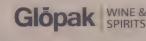












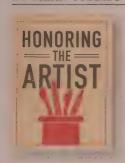


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This Week's Cover Artist: Frank Sofo

BY BRIAN CUDZILO



Are you ready for summer—looking longingly at the ocean, dreaming of being at the beach, or of riding a bicycle, or donning a new vibrantly colored sundress? Now that we're finally in the same month as Memorial Day, we thought it was only appropriate to

bring all that back onto a *Dan's Papers* cover. And who better to paint the scene than East Hampton's Frank Sofo? In addition to being a board member of The Artists Alliance of East Hampton and President of The Wednesday Group of Plein Air Painters of The East End, Sofo is also a fine artist clearly inspired by Van Gogh and the Impressionist style as well as a children's book illustrator, whose work has appeared extensively across the East End.

What was the inspiration for this piece?

Much of my art is inspired by the beautiful beaches on the East End. When I

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first arrived in East Hampton I didn't own a car, so my bicycle became my sole means of transportation, and I would often bike to the beach. So I have a special place in my heart for beach bikes.

We know you like to work in several different media. Do you prefer working in one more than another?

Not especially. The subject matter usually

determines which medium I will use and some subjects just seem to lend themselves to a certain approach.

As summer inches closer, this particular painting, with the young girl looking to the water, seems appropriate. What about summer are you most looking forward to?





Just like the young lady [in the painting], there's a certain excitement and anticipation when you first arrive on a beautiful beach day.

As a *plein air* painter have you felt bottled up this winter?

This was a tough winter, but no, I can paint looking out my window, or sketching from my car is something I often do.

Where's the strangest or

most unusual place your work has appeared?

My work has appeared in so many venues, and I'm always happy and pleased to see it out in the world, but the first time I saw my first children's book on the shelf at Barnes & Noble, that was special.

If you could sit down to coffee with any artist from history, who would it be and what would you talk about?

That's easy, and no surprise to all who know me. It would be Vincent Van Gogh. I guess I would ask him pretty much the same questions you're asking me.

Where can our readers see more of your work?

This will be a busy season for me, at Ashawagh Hall, Guild Hall, the Watermill Center, the East Hampton street fair, and introducing my new children's book, *Starry Night Child*, at the East Hampton library's children's fair

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Mind the Perimeter! Fencing and Gates

BY STACY DERMONT

f course you already have a fence around your pool—that's the law. But is it the fence of your dreams? (FYI, no one dreams about chain-link.) What other areas of your home could benefit from a good bit of fencing? Robert Frost told us long ago that "good fences make good neighbors." A good neighbor is a many splendid thing. What's a "good fence?" It depends on your specific needs. What are they? What's your budget?

Jason Rose of Long Island's Rose Fence shares that "A good fence is one that's obviously level and straight. Sturdy posts that are deeply set in the ground. A good fence should also be held together by properly sized—and, preferably, stainless steel—screws. A good fence is a quality fence, homeowners should stay away from cheaper products found at [outlets like] Home Depot."

Ryan McKinley from Long Island's The Deer Fence and East End Gates shares, "We love working with our clients to help dream up something unique and pleasing to the eye and complimentary to the client's style. The 'best' can be very different from one person to the next. At The Deer Fence, our main objective is to protect your property and the investments you have in it, i.e. the landscaping. Our Farm and Field, or agricultural, fence is our most popular option as it's highly effective in keeping out deer. This fence is great because it can blend into almost any environment and will become nearly invisible against greenery and landscaping. The way (Continued on next page)



What does the fence or gate of your dreams look like?





Gates (Continued from previous page)

we build is similar to a chain-link style. We brace everything and use tension to make the fence able to withstand almost anything. Over the past 10 years on the East End, the aggression of the deer has grown tremendously. What used to be effective in keeping them out may no longer work. We make sure to build everything extremely strong so it can withstand the test of time and ensure your property is protected." McKinley continues, "A good fence can mean many things. First and foremost, we want it to be as aesthetically pleasing as possible and complimentary to the home and homeowner. Whether that be something that's nearly invisible and can be hidden behind a hedge or plantings or something that's a stand-out piece of the property that's beautiful and made to be seen. We do wonderful, handmade installs on-site with custom woodwork and even modern metal fences. We have something for every type of home.

Indeed, on the East End, aesthetics are always a concern. The look and appropriateness of your fencing directly affects your property values. Does your Shingle style home cry out for a rustic enclosure? Maybe you want a very tall fence to block outsiders' view to your privacy. Maybe you don't want to see the fence that encloses your property at all.

Jason Rose suggests, "to improve the aesthetics of wood or vinyl fencing, I would suggest using wider posts. A 6"x6" post compared to the typical 4"x4" posts give the fence a broader and bolder look. I like using this size post in high visibility areas of the property."

Fencing is what you make it. "One of the most unusual requests for fencing [we received] was to put Styrofoam inside the fence to help reduce noise. We did make it happen and the customer was satisfied," says Rose.

Of course a fence needs an appropriate and





functioning gate to be a "good fence." What should you look for in a gate? Jason Rose shares that "To increase the aesthetics of gates, more decorative hardware should be used. Stainless or black powder coated specialty hardware is offered by Rose Fence compared to ordinary hardware found at the local building supply store. This holds true for gate hardware as well, we have a wide selection of traditional and contemporary designed latches to enhance both the look and functionality of gates."

Speaking of design, consider the gate's purpose who will be using it? Should children be able to operate it or not? Is the gate merely decorative?

Ryan McKinley from Long Island's The Deer Fence and East End Gates points out that "Gates are truly a centerpiece to the fence and property itself. We always ask customers to take pictures of anything they love, or send us images they find online. We love working with clients to build pretty much anything they can dream up. We have made some truly unique and beautiful gates on a very small budget all the way up to a limitless budget. It's always important to take into consideration the style of the house and surroundings."

What's the latest in gate technology?

Ryan McKinley says, "Here you can have a little fun if you want to keep everything 'connected.' I love installing a set-up that can link directly to the client's phone. The ultimate convenience is having everything in your pocket. For my own house, I've installed a keypad and call button on my walk gate for the backyard. No one ever uses the front door anymore, they just go straight to the backyard. The keypad will call my iPhone and show video of who's there and allow me to unlock the gate from my phone anywhere in the world. I can also change the keypad combination very easily whenever needed. I'm always researching new tech for gates and fences in my down time. I truly love trying out new things and giving my customers the latest and greatest they expect and deserve! Almost anything is possible these days with technology."

Hamptons Pets and Their Hamptons Homes

hat does your dog do all day without you? Unless you watch the video feed constantly, you'll probably never know. Of course there are clueslike the tipped over potted plant, the chewed-up magazines and the so-called accidents. How can you make your Hamptons home more comfortable and welcoming for the family member who spends the most time in it?

Much like children, pets like ugly stuff spread all over the place. You know, those colorful plastic toys, things to chew on and various other stuff. Shop for an attractive catch-all like a wooden crate or wicker basket that your dog can access. Teach your dog the joy of returning things to this receptacle-like playing fetch. Keep snacks and food out of reach (and out of sight).

Give Rover a soft place to relax. Sure, he wants to sit at your feet Who wouldn't want to come home to this? or sleep in your bed, but he needs

a place of his own. Shop for a dog bed that's big enough, yet cozy. It should be neutral in color, preferably matching his or her fur, or it should be made to match the room-maybe covered with the same fabric as your throw pillows. Some new ottomans and end tables even have built-in dog beds.

If there's one particular spot in the house that gets a nice beam of sunshine during the day, reserve that for your cat-if she hasn't reserved it for herself already. If you can't afford to give up the floor space, shop around for cat beds that suction cup to the window. They exist. The best way to keep a cat happy, though, is to purchase something for yourself and make sure it comes in a cat trap box. Confined spaces make cats feel safe. They seek these spaces out in the wild as ideal places to both hide and stalk unsuspecting prey. So watch your ankles as you pass.

Easy-clean surfaces like tile or natural bamboo are ideal for pets, if not too slippery. Throw rugs are easier to clean that carpeting, but must be secured. If you really want to spoil the cat, install radiant heating.



You know what else dogs love? Other dogs. And old friends. The Animal Rescue Fund of the Hamptons (ARF) will hold its annual Alumni Reunion and Pet Celebration Day on Saturday, May 5 from 10 a.m.noon at the ARF Adoption Center, 124 Daniels Hole Road, Wainscott. The public is invited to bring their dogs (on leashes) and their cats (in carriers) to this free event to rub noses with old and new friends. Visit arfhamptons.com for more info.

The Southampton Animal Shelter Foundation (SASF) will be hosting its Paws in the Park fundraising event on Saturday, May 19 from 11 a.m.-3 p.m at Red Creek Park in Hampton Bays. All are welcome to attend the event which will include a fundraising dog walk, shopping, dancing, doggie fashion show and lots of prizes and goodie bags. Live music will be performed by Dan's Best of the Best winner New Life Crisis and tasty food will be supplied by local food trucks. Bring lawn chairs and blankets for picnicking. Of course don't forget the family dog! All dogs must be registered in order to attend.

Those attending with a dog must raise a minimum of \$20 in pledges or pay an admission fee of \$25 at the door. Remember, it's a fundraiser. For more info, and to register your dog, visit southamptonanimalshelter.com.

If you can't make the Paws in the Park event-or if you're just firmly on Team Cats-but your heart breaks at the thought of those helpless kittens and puppies in needs of head scratches and belly rubs, you can volunteer your time at the local shelters. SASF is holding a Volunteer Orientation on Sunday, May 6 from 9-11 a.m. Volunteer opportunities also exist at the North Fork Animal Welfare League (nfawl.org) in Southold. If all else fails, you can adopt or foster. It'll be a win/win.

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on't let summer have all the fun this year. As we're running out of nonsummer time to relish before the crowds arrive, we might as well enjoy ourselves. Luckily, there's plenty to do on the East End, here are some highlights:

Keb' Mo' and His Band will play Westhampton Performing Arts Center on Saturday, May 19 at 8 p.m. With three Grammy Awards Keb' Mo' is one of the most decorated living blues artists. The visionary roots-music storyteller draws heavily on the old-fashioned country blues style with touches of soul and folk. He writes much of his own material and is a master of acoustic, electric and slide guitar. His skilled musicianship and varied musical styles have earned him a legion of loyal fans. 76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach. 631-288-1500, whbpac.org.

You'll have until May 20 to catch East End Collected4 at the Southampton Arts Center. See Collected4 before Rosé Soirée takes over the Southampton Arts Center Thirty artists in total—some whose names

you'll recognize, others who might be new-are featured in the exhibition curated by yet another East End artist, Paton Miller. As part of the exhibition, on Saturday, May 5 at 11 a.m. visitors will have a rare opportunity to receive an amazingly meditative sound bath and deep relaxation mindfulness meditation that will melt away stress and leave them feeling calm and recharged-surrounded by



art. On Friday, May 18, from 4-6 p.m. educators from the Children's Museum of the East End will host a free, interactive mixed-media drop-in art workshop for families with children. The closing weekend-May 19 and 20-will see a concert by Mambo Loco and a Curator and Artists Gallery Tour and Toast. 25 Jobs Lane, Southampton. 631-283-0967, southamptonartscenter.org.

Redefining Forms, a new exhibition of paintings and drawings by Rockville Centre native Francis Klaess, is on display now at Greenport Harbor Brewing Company. The exhibition features a collection of Klaess's abstract paintings, juxtaposed against his paintings inspired by the Atlantic Ocean and his drawings of insects, fully illustrating the artist's exploration of the relationship between internal and the external, tangible and the ineffable. The works include nautical maps, cutout words and lines of text from books and other sources, along with expressive mark making with layers of paint. Enjoy the show, then have a drink. 234 Carpenter Street, Greenport. 631-477-1100. greenportharborbrewing.com.

Guild Hall's 80th Annual Artist Members Exhibition—the oldest non-juried museum exhibition on Long Island and one of the few non-juried exhibitions still offered-runs through Saturday, May 19. This communitycentered exhibition is an opportunity to celebrate the artists who live and work right

here on the East End. In total, this year's lively and vibrant exhibition features 383 local artists from every level, exhibiting more than 400 works in every medium. Also stop by the Guild Hall Yard Sale on Saturday, May 12 from 9 a.m.-2 p.m. 158 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-0806, guildhall.org.

See the great titles of tomorrow at Bay Street Theater's 5th Annual New (Continued on next page)





Works Festival. The three-day festival starts on Friday, May 4 at 8 p.m. with Medea: A Rock Musical written by The Kilbanes and directed by Reggie D. White, a contemporary adaptation of a classic tale that uses rock music and an innovative performance style that is part concert, part theatrical performance to explore the beginning of a woman whose end we know all too well.

On Saturday, May 5 at 2 p.m. theater-goers will see A Seagull in the Harbor written by Emily Mann and directed by Stephen Hamilton. This rendition of Chekhov's classic play, The Seagull, features bright, contemporary language and a modern East End setting that brings the classic story close to home.

On the same day at 8 p.m., The Prompter, written by Wade Dooley and directed by Scott Schwartz, gets its chance on stage. This new work follows veteran actress Irene Young, who, after a 40-year absence, is returning to the Broadway stage. But Hal Buckner creates his sculptures from a single piece of aluminum. now, she can't do it alone; so, the production hires a young actor to be her prompter.

Last but not least, on Sunday, May 6 at 3 p.m. the Jennifer Maisel-written, Will Pomerantz-directed, Eight Nights, which tells the story of the lives that inhabit an apartment from 1949 to 2016, takes the stage. 1 Bay Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-9500, baystreet.org.

Get a taste of summer at Suffolk Theater with That 70s Band Summer Preview on Friday, May 4. From Earth, Wind, and Fire and KC & The Sunshine Band to The Commodores, That 70s Band plays all the disco and funk hits of the decade. Blending the rhythm and blues the '50aswere known for with the sounds of soul that rocked the '60s, The Drifters are synonymous with classic R&B and are hitting the Suffolk stage on Saturday May 5. Rock & Roll Hall of Fame member and founder of The Byrds, Roger McGuinn, brings his distinct sound on Saturday, May 12. Jay White, internationally acclaimed for his astounding portrayal of Neil Diamond and his renditions of all of Diamond's hits, brings his America's Diamond show (approved by Neil Diamond himself) to Suffolk on Friday, May 18. The legendary Jefferson Starship returns to Suffolk Saturday, May 19. All shows listed begin at 8 p.m. 118 East Main Street, Riverhead. 631-727-4343, suffolktheater.com.



New Acoustic Band plays Sylvester Manor May 12

You can always see Roy Lichtenstein's monumental sculpture, Tokyo Brushstroke I & II simply driving by the Parrish Art Museum. Inside, the special exhibition, Image Building: How Photography Transforms Architecture, a comprehensive survey that explores the dynamic relationship between architecture, photography, and the viewer, is now on view. The exhibition is organized thematically into "Cityscapes," "Domestic Spaces" and "Public Places" examining the relationship between contemporary and historical approaches to photographing buildings in urban, suburban, and rural environments. 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill. 631-283-2118, parrishart.org.

Art-lovers will get a special opportunity in May when Sag Harbor's Reynold Ruffins will show a series of paintings at the John Jermain Memorial Library. Ruffins's current works are preceded by a career as an illustrator and designer, which includes being a founding member of the world-famous Push Pin



Studio. Fans and soon-to-be fans alike can meet Ruffins at the artist reception on Saturday, May 12 from 2:30-4:40 p.m. 201 Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-0049, johnjermain.org.

Sylvester Manor's 2018 Summer Concert Series pops off with two shows on Saturday, May 12 (6 p.m. and 8 p.m.) by the New Acoustic Band. The band features Karl Schwarz, Gregory Morgan and David Barnes and was built around the sounds of traditional acoustic blues and spiritual tunes. They perform the music of the Reverend Gary Davis, Robert Johnson, Sam Chatmon, Mississippi John Hurt and the like. The Sylvester Manor Farmstand also opens May 12 at 9 a.m. So come for the fresh produce, stay for the tunes. 80 North Ferry Road, Shelter Island. 631-749-0626, sylvestermanor.org.

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the East End and drinking. One napkin features the iconic neon "Sag" from the former Sag Harbor Cinema sign, which is currently in storage awaiting a new Main Street façade. Another features a distressed 27 East road sign, while others feature ageold sayings such as "I only drink on two occasions. When it's Friday and when it's not" and "one martini, two martini, three martini, floor." For a mom who doesn't drink, perhaps stick with the first two. 103 Main Street, Sag Harbor. 631-725-5012, sylvesterandco.com.

Speaking of drinking on the East End, why not treat mom to a pair of tickets to *the* Hamptons summer kickoff party featuring the finest rosés the universe has to offer from the Hamptons, the North Fork, France, Spain and beyond, paired with bites from top chefs and restaurants? Sound too good to be true? Well, the second annual **Dan's Rosé Soirée Presented by Porsche** takes place on Sunday, May 27 at the Southampton Arts Center. You can use that

second ticket for yourself.... rosehamptons.com. See related story on page 46.

Long Island's premier jeweler, **London Jewelers**, has two Hamptons locations, one in Southampton and another in East Hampton, which, incidentally, was voted Dan's Best of the Best Jewelry Store this year. You'll find timepieces, bracelets, rings, earrings, pendants and even decorative giftware at London Jewelers. Must we drop more hints? *londonjewelers.com*

Treat mom to a yummy cheesecake, fruit tart, whipped cream pie, a fresh loaf of artisan bread, cookies or a handful of other savory sweets and treats from **Blue Duck Bakery Café**. With locations in Southampton, Greenport, Riverhead and Southold, they're not far away, no matter where you are, or where mom is. Pick something up for yourself while you're at it.... blueduckbakerycafe.com.

Every mom loves a good book—or at least the time to relax and read a good book. Luckily for East End moms, and Mother's Day gift buyers, no matter what town you live in, there's a bookstore nearby. If you're not sure if mom likes bestsellers or classics, or prefers hardcovers or softcovers, you can always get a gift certificate. If you're a collector, check out **Southampton Books** and their new batch of rare and collectible books, which includes a signed, first edition *Of Mice and Men. southampton-books.com.*

Let mom put her feet up at home and hire someone else to clean the house for her. Might we suggest Dan's Best of the Best winner **Catherine's Cleaning?** The pros at Catherine's Cleaning will clean and organize the house giving mom peace of mind and more time to enjoy whatever it is she prefers to cleaning. 631-8894007, catherinescleaning.com

Of course, flowers are a Mother's Day standard. On the North Fork, the folks at **Mattituck Florist** (mattituckflorist.com, 631-298-5840) are good listeners and big believers in attention to detail and will carefully design you the best flowers to help you capture the moment. On the South Fork, **Sag Harbor Florist** (sagharborflorist.net, 631-725-1400) will do the same.

You're bound to find something for mom (or yourself) at the **Spring Sidewalk Sale**, presented by the Greater Westhampton Chamber of Commerce. The sale takes place the weekend of May 5 and 6. westhamptonchamber.org

NEW KIDS ON THE BLOCK:

The **Bargain Box Thrift Shop**, run by the Ladies Village Improvement Society (LVIS) in East Hampton isn't technically new, but if you haven't been since their extensive remodel, you'd think it was. You'll find the same great deals in a space you'll hardly recognize. 95 Main Street, East Hampton. 631-324-1220, lvis.org.

A **Khanh Sports** outlet will soon open for the season at 2454B Montauk Highway in Bridgehampton. Khanh Sports is a must-see for the active set (surfers, bicyclists, paddleboarders) in East Hampton and Amagansett. And now there's another to heart. *khanhsports.com*, 631-324-0703.

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Hamptons Happenings »»»

Some of the fun events happening in the Hamptons and on the North Fork this week.

Salon Series: Pianist Drew Petersen

When: May 4, 6 p.m. Where: Parrish Art Museum 279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill

What: Pianist Drew Petersen offers an intimate, classical

concert. Tickets include museum admission. Contact: 631-283-7006, parrishart.org

TRANSLATING EMOTIONS TO CANVAS

Feelings into Art! Pollock Drip Painting Workshop

When: May 5, 1 p.m.

Where: Hampton Bays Public Library 52 Ponquogue Avenue, Hampton Bays

What: Discover how East End painter Jackson Pollock and other modern artists expressed their emotions through their works. After the lecture, participants pour their feelings onto an empty canvas as they create their own Pollock-inspired drip paintings.

Contact: 631-728-6241, hamptonbayslibrary.org

LIAR LIAR

(Mostly) True Things: Storytelling Show

When: May 5, 7 p.m.

Where: The Performing Arts Studio 224 East Main Street, Port Jefferson

What: (Mostly) True Things is a game wrapped in a storytelling show that features four true stories, but three of them have subtle, carefully crafted lies woven in. It's up to the audience to question the storytellers and find out which one is telling the whole truth for a chance at prizes. Contact: 631-698-7536, mostlytruethings.com

SAVE THE LAST DANCE FOR ME

The Drifters Featuring Rick Sheppard

When: May 5, 8 p.m.

Where: Suffolk Theater, 118 East Main Street, Riverhead

What: The Drifters performed rhythm and blues throughout the '50s and '60s, and now they're bringing their vintage sound to Suffolk Theater. \$50-\$60.

Contact: 631-727-4343, suffolktheater.com

BURT BACHARACH BRUNCH

What the World Needs Now

When: May 6, noon

Where: The American Hotel, 49 Main Street, Sag Harbor What: Celebrate Burt Bacharach's life and music in honor of his 90th birthday with pianist/vocalist Lee Glantz. This two-part event features a three-course mimosa brunch at noon, followed by the concert at 1:30 p.m.

Contact: 631-725-3535, theamericanhotel.com

Kid Stuff »»» Kids events on the East End.

HISTORY MAKERS

Present & Future Careers in History

When: May 4, 4 p.m.

Where: Amagansett Life Saving & Coast Guard Station

160 Atlantic Avenue, Amagansett

What: College-bound teens, parents, teachers and counselors are invited to this free career development event. Hear local professionals share their personal career journeys related to history and offer their advice about current and future job opportunities for history majors.

Contact: 631-324-3892, facebook/ehhfarmmuseum

STRANGER ESCAPE

Open Rec Night & Escape Room

When: May 4, 7:30 p.m.

Where: Southampton Youth Services

1370A Majors Path, Southampton

What: Middle school and high school students can register a team to attempt the Southampton Youth Bureau's Escape Room, inspired by the hit Netflix Series Stranger Things, which involves solving clues, puzzles and riddles in order to escape a locked room. Basketball and ultimate Frisbee are also available. \$5. Grades 5-12.

Contact: 631-702-2425, southamptontownny.gov/

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RACING TO THE CURE

Out Run Rett 5K When: May 5, 9 a.m.

Where: New Suffolk Waterfront, Main and First Street

New Suffolk

What: Advances in gene therapy are pointing the way to conquering Rett Syndrome, a disorder that causes children to lose the use of their limbs and voice, with the first clinical trial possible in 2019. This 5K run/walk is an opportunity to raise needed research funds to accelerate progress. Awards are given to the top three in each age category.

Contact: 631-594-2222, reverserett.org/run

FAMILY ART/ARTE DE FAMILIA

Bilingual Family Gallery Talk & Art Workshop

When: May 6, 2 p.m.

Where: Parrish Art Museum

279 Montauk Highway, Water Mill

What: Explore the galleries with guided tours in English and Spanish, then they head to The Lynne and Richard Pasculano Studio to create projects

Contact: 631-283-7006, parrishart.org

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Shh! We Have a Plan

When: May 7, 10 a.m. & 12:30 p.m.

Where: Westhampton Beach Performing Arts Center

76 Main Street, Westhampton Beach

What: A non-verbal tale featuring magic, music and puppetry based on the Chris Haughton book of the same name. This enchanting production teaches kids that kindness is more important than getting their own way.

Contact: 631-288-1500, whbpac.org

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HEY, MOM See what's cooking now.

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ROSÉ SOIRÉE Where to rave while dining out.

North Fork Chocolate Company Keeps It Local

66 I grew up in a small town 40 miles south of Boston. In those days, it was predominately a farming community, much like the North Fork was before the wine industry." As Steven Biscari-Amaral, co-founder and Executive Chef of the North Fork Chocolate Company, reflects on the road that has brought him from that Beantown outpost to a James Beard Award nomination to his artisanal handcrafted chocolate emporium in Aquebogue, it seems he was destined for this locavore's locale and the inspiration it continually offers. "My grandfather, who was from the Azores Islands, had a poultry farm and also grew produce for our small farmstand. I can remember hanging out with him as early as five years old while he worked in the chicken barns, in the fields and delivering dressed chickens and eggs to his customers door-to-door. We were practicing farm-to-table

as a way of life. Living and working on the North Fork brings back so many awesome memories of my childhood and family life. Throughout my culinary journey I've used these influences to build relationships with the agricultural community and support the idea of farm-to-table and sourcing the best ingredients possible."

Driven by an artist's creativity and passion for evolution and experimentation, Amaral has taken North Fork Chocolate Company beyond just a destination for decadent treats. Whether it's Yoga Tuesdays, Wet Your

Elecant. Amaral of North

Whistle Wednesdays, turning Sundays into family fun days with a Belgian waffle bar and chocolate fountain, hosting Kentucky Derby and Mother's Day celebrations this year, or even turning the space into an art gallery (yes, the man is a painter as well), the chef is dedicated to sharing the bounty of the East End—including by serving up some of his tasty creations at this year's Dan's Rosé Soirée presented by Porsche on May 27, Dan's Chefs of the North Fork on July 7, and Dan's Taste of Two Forks presented by Farrell Building Company on July 21. (Read more with Chef Amaral at DansPapers.com.)

How does living on the East End inform your cooking and culinary creativity?

Our chocolates are made with local ingredients enrobed in a proprietary blend of pure Belgian chocolate. We incorporate local beer, sea salt, honey, berries, cider, wine and spirits. We feel incorporating local ingredients in our chocolates is vital to supporting

our chocolates is vital to supporting the local agricultural community, and using farm-fresh ingredients is expected from our customers.

What inspired your career the most?

My time spent in Europe, living and working in Spain and France; in the three-star Michelin kitchen of Roger Verge; living in Nice on the Cote D'azur; backpacking through Europe for a year in 1984, after a few years working in Maui. The

inspiration from traveling and immersion in the many different cultures and cuisines was very humbling and inspiring at the same time—most of all, the respect for ingredients.

What's the most important thing to teach the next generation of chefs?

Know where your ingredients are from and how they are raised and grown. Start demanding that the ingredients you work with are minimally processed and free of chemical pesticides, herbicides and fertilizers. Handle ingredients with the utmost respect and incorporate organics as much as possible. Simplicity is a sign of good taste. Buy local, keep your purchasing dollars in the local community.

What's your favorite thing about Dan's Taste of Summer events?

Getting to taste everyone's creations in one place, in a festive environment, on the beautiful East End. For me, it's an opportunity for the agricultural community and chefs to come together and showcase their skills and creativity in a festive setting at the peak of crop season on the East End.

Dan's Rosé Soirée presented by Porsche Sunday, May 27 at the Southampton Arts Center. Tickets are on sale now at RoseHamptons.com. Dan's Chefs of the North Fork is July 7 at the Halyard at Sound View Greenport. Dan's Taste of Two Forks is July 21 at Fairview Farm at Mecox. For more info about Dan's Taste of Summer events, visit DansTasteofSummer.com.











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Boston's Matty Boudreau Loves His Momma

BY STACY DERMONT

atty Boudreau, executive chef of the Preston House & Hotel in Riverhead, hails from Cambridge, Massachusetts. He says he's "Still a diehard Sox fan and always will be! Boston and the surrounding areas are a melting pot like New York. From the Armenian bakery village in Watertown to the lobster shacks on the coast of Maine, all of those memories shape my perception of food and life." Meet Boudreau and taste his take on East End cuisine at Dan's Rosé Soirée presented by Porsche on Sunday, May 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Southampton Arts Center; at Dan's GrillHampton competition and tasting event hosted by David Burtka on Friday, July 20 and at Dan's Taste of Two Forks presented by Farrell Building Company on Saturday, July 21, both at Fairview Farm in Bridgehampton.

Who inspired your career the most?

My mother has always backed my moves and supported me in this career. She never questioned my passion and has always been my biggest fan. I love you Momma!

What's the most important thing to teach the next generation of chefs?

To really listen and read! Learn from the masters, there are no short cuts. Stop trying to Google your way through a menu and just know that it's a long road to holding the title "chef." The road there is what makes you.

What's your earliest food memory?

The first thing I remember craving was my grandmother Edith's coffee cake. It's on the menu for brunch and, to be honest, I wish it was as good,

but I swear she lied about the recipe! It's still a pretty

The first thing I ever made was blueberry ice cream in Maine—at 5 I tried to make my favorite one from the local creamery. Let's just say that won't wind up on any menu anytime soon.

How does living on the East End inform your cooking and culinary creativity?

It's a wonderful place for chefs and foodies—for the wine, farms and solid colleagues. The East End allows people the real experience of the area's influence on the table. When it's that close, how could you miss it?

Which Long Island wines are you drinking these days?

I love me some Grapes of Roth. Roman Roth kills it! And I really enjoy Leo Family Red Blend.

What's the most unusual substitution you've ever been asked to make?

While working at the Harvard Club in Boston I was once asked to take the beef Wellington and purée it—due to the client having mouth surgery that week, she didn't want to miss out on her weekly meal.

What's your favorite dish to prepare?

Smoking brisket, or even fish—the patience it takes and the way that the fruit wood smoke rolls around the protein giving it a added touch, just makes it even more "money!"

What does the phrase "taste of summer" bring to mind for you?

Rosé flowing, tomatoes and zucchini with stripped bass on the grill.



What's an ingredient or method that you refuse to use?

Sous vide. it's not a hate thing, I'm just more of a purist and love the old school.

What's your favorite thing about Dan's Taste of Summer events?

All the chefs actually enjoying themselves and catching up on a summer evening, even if its just one night!

What else would you like our readers to know about dining, and drinking, on the East End this summer?

Enjoy not being in the city! Enjoy the better quality of life and take the time to see what it is that we do well out here. From highbrow like EMP Summer House and 1770 House to "realbrow," as I call it. Places like The Dock House and Serene Green Farmstand. Taste it all!

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Clovis Point's John Leo says: Drink of the Pink with Friends!

BY STACY DERMONT

eet Clovis Point Winemaker John Leo and try some of his wines at Dan's Rosé Soirée presented by Porsche on Sunday, May 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Southampton Arts Center.

Leo is originally from the Hudson Valley. We know that he has fully adapted to life on the East End because, when asked for a wine recommendation. pairing suggested: "Rosé with...EVERYTHING!"

What's your earliest wine-related memory?

Being allowed to sip a mix of my grandfather's homemade red wine with cream soda at the Sunday dinner table.

When did you begin to truly appreciate wine?

During my time studying and enjoying life in Madrid, Spain.

How does living on the East End inform your winemaking?

Living among the vineyards, waters and villages of the East End offers inspiration, and the local cuisine offers guidance. Of course, the terroir of the vineyards I work with, including the varietals planted, direct the winemaking.

What is it about rosé that has so captured the imagination here on the East End?

The summer season is when the East End image is created. So the beaches, barbeques, and social events of summer call for a fresh, bright, easy-todrink beverage to enjoy. Rosé fits the bill.

What's special about Long Island wine?

The East End offers a truly wonderful terroir for grape growing. And our skills as

grape growers and winemakers has grown tremendously, year by year. Our best anywhere in the world.

What moment inspired your career the most?

Enjoying a bottle of wine with friends at a café in Madrid as a teenager and realizing that wine was a food that enhanced a meal, conversation and friendship.

> Do you ever drink at your own winery on your days off? If so, what have you learned while there?

While visiting the tasting room I've learned that many visitors appreciate good wine. They're discerning; and they'll reward all the work and time we put into making our wines.

What's the most important thing to teach the next generation of winemakers?

Trust your own taste, and be honest with yourself-especially about the wines you're making

What's your favorite wine to take on an East End picnic?

For a summer afternoon picnic, a Clovis Point cabernet franc to enjoy with fresh grilled fish or spicy chicken legs.

How do you like to spend your "off time" here on the East End?

Enjoying wine with friends, a daily swim and frequent strolls through the vineyards. If you learn to appreciate a bottle of East End wine with a loved one, you'll also appreciate what living local

What else would you like our readers to know about dining, and drinking, on the East End this summer?

Be adventurous and open-minded. will find an amazing variety of good local foods and wines to give you pleasure. 🔔



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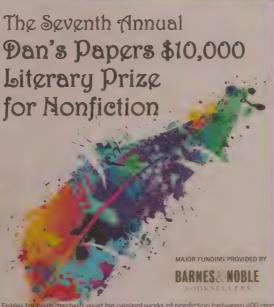
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BY STACY DERMONT

njoy a taste of the East End with Macari Vineyards Winemaker Kelly Koch at Dan's Rosé Soirée presented by Porsche on Sunday, May 27 from 5 to 8 p.m. at the Southampton Arts Center. As she says, "With its natural beauty, the East End is a very inspiring place. This fuels my creativity as I strive to make our wines the best reflection of each growing season. Wine can be a very clear reflection of the place it was grown, so it's a special experience to be able to taste it at the source."

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What is it about rosé that has so captured the imagination here on the East End?

Rosé is a representation of the lifestyle we have on the East End. The soft sand between your toes, the salt spray of the water, the gentle sway of the corn stalks in the fields, an amazing autumn sunset, a crisp bite of fresh fruit from the farmstand, a warm summer day, the blaze of the changing leaves in the fall. Those are just a few of the places our rosé can transport you.

Where are you from originally?

I was born and raised in the Napa Valley, in Northern California, which cultivated a love of the outdoors and an appreciation of great food and wine

What's your earliest wine-related memory?

My grandfather had a small vineyard in St. Helena, California. As kids, my brother and I would help my dad and grandpa take care of the vineyard and

What has inspired your career the most?

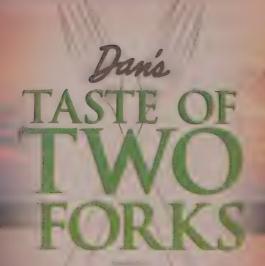
The Macari vineyard is a unique and magical place with an immense amount of diversity, from the vines to the animals, which graze the land. The proximity to the water is striking, and has a great influence on our vines. Working with the fruit from this farm is incredibly rewarding and inspiring. Our tasting room at Macari has beautiful sweeping views of the vineyard and a great team of pourers who are very knowledgeable about the wines and enthusiastic about sharing them.

What is special about Long Island wine?

Our maritime climate on the East End allows us to consistently grow quality fruit. Our wines are a great match with our local bounty of seafood and produce—we're able to achieve ample ripeness while maintaining fresh acidity.

What's the best quote you've heard about wine? "Wine is sunlight held together by water." —Galileo

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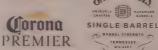
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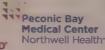








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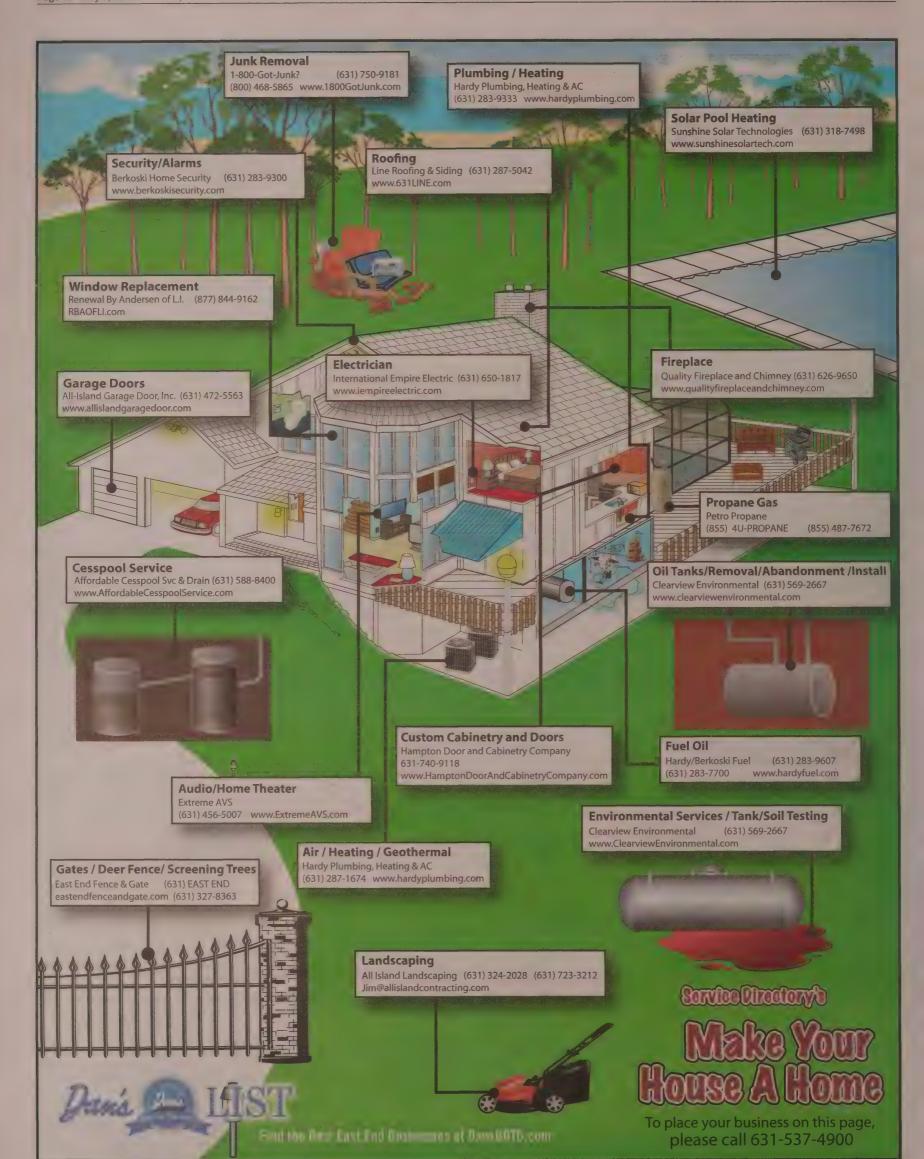
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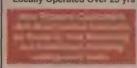
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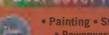
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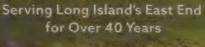


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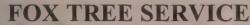
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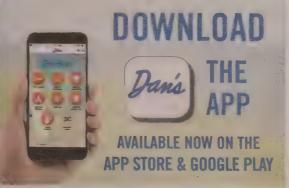
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Real Estate's Best at Privet Hedge Awards

BY LAURA EULER

n Wednesday, April 25 many of the best and brightest of the Hamptons real estate community came together at the 5th annual Privet Hedge Awards Dinner, held at the lovely and swanky Sebonack Golf Club in Southampton. Hosted by Manhattan Media, publisher of *Behind the Hedges*, *Dan's Papers* and *AVENUE*, it was, as always, a wonderful evening filled with old friends and new.

First up, of course, was cocktail hour. Strolling past the sexy Karma Reveros parked by the entrance, then up the winding staircase to the party awaiting on the second floor, guests found cocktails, wine and AltaNeve Prosecco flowing on the balcony, along with delicious bites. Everyone enjoyed themselves greatly, despite the miserable weather.

At dinnertime, hosts Randi Schatz, *AVENUE* president, and Eric Feil, COO of Dan's Hamptons Media, welcomed guests. Daniel Nicholas performed some mentalist tricks to the amazement of the audience—this was a fun extra at this year's event.

Many past winners of the Privet Hedges Awards were in attendance, among them Paul Brennan, Susan Breitenbach, Enzo Morabito, Judi Desidero, Harald Grant and Tim Davis. Talk about your lineup of heavy hitters! (See photo on next page.)

About the time the main courses were being handed out (we had the filet, which was stellar), it was time to start handing out the awards for this year. John Gicking presented the Big Deal Broker award to winner Lori Schiaffino; then Carl



2018 Award winners: Bruce Grant, Carol Nobbs, Mala Sander, Lori Schiaffino, Robert Canberg

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Benincasa presented the Broker's Broker award to Carol Nobbs. Geoff Gifkins presented the Master Marketer award to Robert Canberg.

Carol Nobbs told us, "I would like to thank Manhattan Media, AVENUE, Dan's, Behind the Hedges and the sponsors for the invitation to the most elegant real estate event in the Hamptons. A special thank you to Carl Benincasa for his wonderful kind introduction. I'm thrilled and honored to be included with the previous Privet Hedge winners who have my deepest respect and admiration."

The Rookie of the Year award was probably the most touching, as Harald Grant got a bit choked up presenting it to his son Bruce. (Excuse us, we have something in our eye....) Bruce said, "It's such an honor to win this award and I'm beyond grateful. Thank you to the whole brokerage community in helping and working with me."

Finally, the Hall of Fame award went to Mala Sander, presented by Ernie Cervi. Sander remarked, "I owe much of my success to the great relationships I've built over the years with clients

and colleagues alike. It was an honor to be recognized by my peers and colleagues for this wonderful award, and I look forward to continuing



great relationships I've built Tim Davis, Harald Grant, Douglas Sabo, Paul Brenner, Susan Breitenbach, Enzo Morabito, Randi Schatz, Chris Burnside, Judi Desiderio

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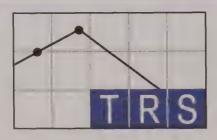
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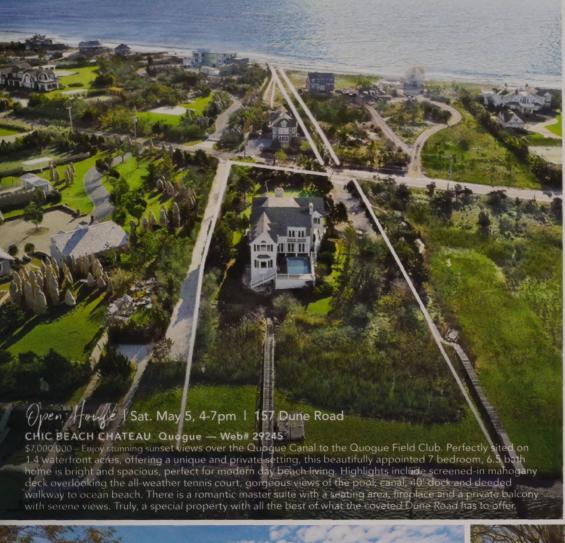
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